

## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

Diane Lillis, Treasurer North Dakota Republican Party 101 East Broadway Avenue Bismarck, ND 58502

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Reference:

30 Day Post-General Report (10/1/00-11/27/00)

Dear Ms. Lillis:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Please provide the total for Line 10 of the Summary Page.

-Please clarify all expenditures for "Statewide Campaigns GOTV Effort", "Statewide Campaigns GOTV Mailing", and "Statewide Campaigns GOTV Effort Bus Tour", on Schedule B supporting Line 21(b). In addition, if any of the voter registration or get-out-the-vote activities referenced House or Senate candidates, they should be allocated accordingly, unless merely incidental to the overall activity. If a portion or all of these expenditures were made on behalf of federal candidates, they should be reported on Schedules B, E or F for Lines 23, 24 or 25 of the Detailed Summary Page, as appropriate.

-Please clarify all expenditures made for "Statewide Campaign Advertising", "Statewide Campaigns Campaign Signs", and "Statewide Campaigns Media/Advertising" on Schedule(s) B. If a portion or all of these expenditures were made on behalf of specifically identified federal candidates, this amount should be disclosed on Schedules B, E or F supporting Lines 23, 24 or 25 and include the amount, name, address and office sought by each candidate. 11 CFR §§104.3(b) and 106.1

-The Detailed Summary Page, on Line 18 Column A of your report, discloses \$100,000 in transfers from the non-federal account for joint

activity for the reporting period. However, Line 21 (a)(ii) Column A discloses \$26,226.42 as the non-federal share for joint activity for the reporting period. While the non-federal account is permitted to transfer funds to the federal account for shared activity, transfers for shared activity must be made within a 70-day time period: no more than 10 days before or 60 days after the payment to the vendor. 11 CFR §§106.5(g)(2) and 106.6(e)(2) Please clarify the nature of the transfers-in from the non-federal account.

The Commission recommends that you immediately transfer back to the non-federal account, the total excessive amount which was received by your federal account outside the 70-day time period. Although the Commission may take further legal action concerning this prohibited activity, your prompt action will be taken into consideration.

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

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